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In re Application of:

§ BEFORE THE EXAMINER:

Eller *et al.*

§ Michael D. Masinick

Serial No.: 09/992,345

§ Group Art Unit No.: 2125

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For: A Method and System for Reducing
Lead-Time in the Packaging Industry

§ Confirmation No.: 7207

Customer No.: 23455

§ October 9, 2006

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 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This submission is responsive to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2006. Applicants respectfully request that this application be reconsidered in view of the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition to Extend Time for a period of two months, August 8, 2006, the date now set, up to and including October 9, 2006, along with the authorization for the requisite fee.

Amendments to the Specification: None.**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on Page 2 of this paper.**Amendments to the Drawings:** None.**Remarks/Arguments** begin on Page 9 of this paper.

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